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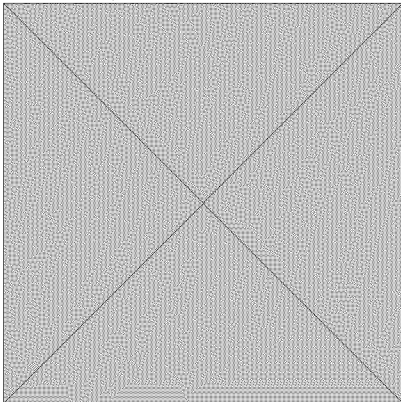
Water Is Life! Luncheon & Conference

When

Wednesday, April 19, 2017
from 8:00 AM to 1:30 PM EDT
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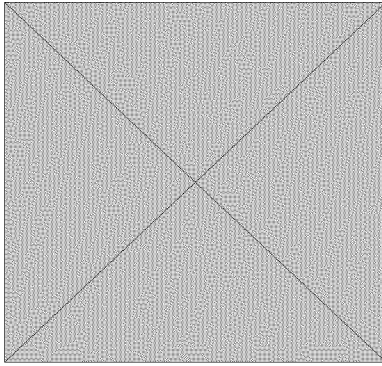
Where

Sheraton Roanoke Hotel and
Conference Center
2801 Hershberger Road NW
Roanoke, VA 24017

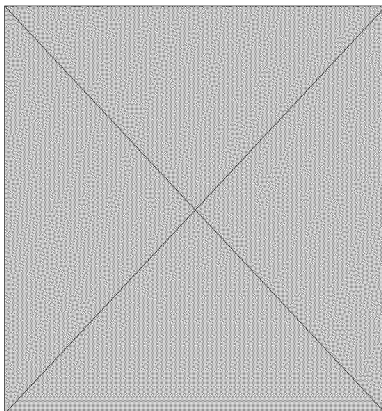
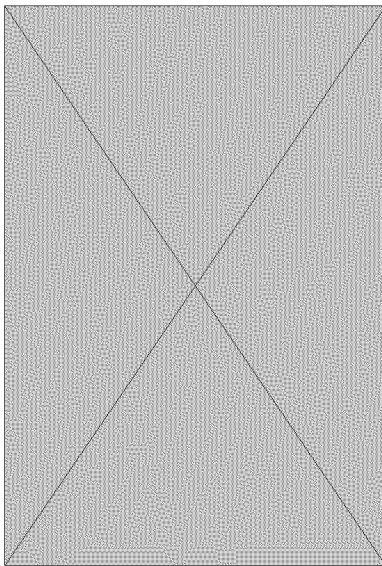


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Dr. Kelsey J. Pieper
of the Virginia Tech Flint
Water Study Team - Keynote
Speaker at the 48th
Anniversary Water Is Life!
Luncheon



(L-R) Congressman Donald McEachin, WIL Workshop Presenter Mariah Davis, Minister Peterson of the Good Sheppard Baptist Church at the Environmental Justice Roundtable Discussion with Congressman Donald McEachin Event



Dear Epa,

Below is a list of scheduled workshops for the upcoming SERCAP Water Is Life! Conference, to be held on Wednesday, April 19, 2017 at the Sheraton Hotel and Conference Center in Roanoke, Virginia.

We hope you'll join us for the Water Is Life! Conference on April 19th. You can register online now by [clicking here!](#)

48th Anniversary Water Is Life! Conference Schedule

Workshop 1: Volunteer for Communities. Ashton Fallen, SERCAP Special Projects Manager, will share best practices for working with student volunteers from personal experience and program supervisor stories. She will also answer your questions and lead a group discussion about successes and challenges faced by workshop participants. Time: 9:00 AM - 11:45 AM.

Workshop 2: Private Well Workshop with Janice Tatum, SERCAP Technical Assistance Provider in North Carolina. Discover tools and resources available to help raise awareness of private well issues and educate stakeholders and well owners about well care. Learn straightforward steps to assess the geology, well construction, and site conditions at a private well to help understand and potential risks and for better future source water protection. Time: 8:00 AM - 11:45 AM. This workshop is free to the public.

Workshop 3: Pipeline & Water Quality Threats in Virginia, presented by Diana Christopulos, President of the Roanoke Valley Cool Cities Coalition. Time: 8:00 AM - 8:50 AM.

Workshop 4: Public & Private Partnerships, presented by Jean Holloway, SERCAP Maryland and Delaware State Manager. Time: 8:00 AM - 8:50 AM. Location: Salon 2.

Workshop 5: Capacity Building & Community Engagement. Presented by Mariah Davis, Conservation Organizer with the Virginia Conservation Network. The Virginia Conservation Network is a coalition of 120 conservation organizations across the state working to paint a beautiful environmental picture before Virginia state legislators. This workshop will discuss ways in which VCN drives strategic action and engages elected officials in the importance of protecting our natural resources. Given the new political climate, protecting our environment and our more vulnerable communities has become a top priority. Time: 8:00 AM - 8:50 AM.

Workshop 6: Collaboration Between the Community Development and Health Sectors, presented by Freedom First. This workshop will highlight the West End revitalization and focus on collaborative efforts in private, public, and local

Dr. Tamim Younos, Founder and President of the Green Water-Infrastructure Academy, will present a workshop about Water & Energy: Two Sides of the Same Coin

government (Roanoke City, FFCU, resident investment, West End Center for Youth, LEAP) to address health disparities. Time: 9:00 AM - 9:50 AM.

Workshop 7: Let's Talk Credit, presented by Benjamin Spicer, Wells Fargo Financial Education Advocate. This presentation will cover important information about credit, with a Question & Answer session. Mr. Spicer is happy to schedule appointments with workshop participants to have a more extensive conversation, if needed. Time: 9:00 AM - 9:50 AM.

Workshop 8: Housing. Speaker TBD. Time: 9:00 AM - 11:50 AM.

Workshop 9: Get The Lead Out!, presented by the Ann Billings, Program Manager and Marla Robertson, Outreach Coordinator with the City of Roanoke. Workshop participants will learn about the sources of lead in the home, lead poisoning prevention strategies, and how to protect their family from the dangerous effects of lead on the body. Time: 10:00 AM - 10:50 AM.

Workshop 10: Asset Management: What's In It For You?, presented by Anthony Hess, Virginia Department of Health-Office of Drinking Water Sustainability Coordinator. Description: Asset Management seems to be the new buzzword in the utility business, but what does it mean to you? This presentation will cover how to start if you currently have no asset management plan, how to take the next step if you already have an asset management plan, and different ways to use this tool to guide planning, funding, and communication with your Board. Time: 10:00 AM - 10:50 AM.

Workshop 11: Water & Energy: Two Sides of the Same Coin, presented by Dr. Tamim Younos, Founder & President of the Green Water-Infrastructure Academy. This workshop will cover cases and consequences of high water consumption in the energy sector, and the energy demand and consequences in the urban water sector. The presentation will conclude with a discussion of futuristic approaches for reducing global footprints of energy and water consumption. Time: 11:00 AM - 11:50 AM.

Workshop 12: Funding Strategies for Rural Communities and Homeowners, presented by Janice Stroud-Bickes, Acting USDA State Director. This workshop will discuss assistance to nonprofit organizations through the USDA Community Facilities Program, and to municipalities through the USDA Rural Utilities Program. This workshop will also cover homeownership, home repair, and water/wastewater needs for individual households. Time: 11:00 AM to 11:50 AM.

[Get more information](#)

Register Now!

I can't make it

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions about the Water Is Life! Conference, Water Is Life! Luncheon, or specific workshops. Thank you! We hope to see you on April 19th for Water Is Life!

Sincerely,

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